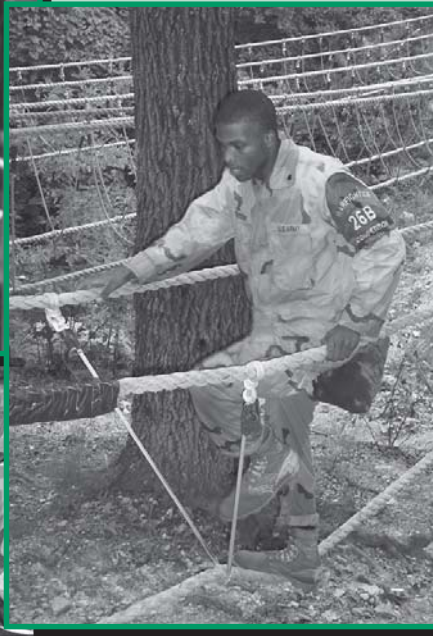




# WARFIGHTER TEAM CHALLENGE 2005

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The 2005 Warfighter competition wrapped up on the morning of 25 September as the 95th Military Police Battalion team out of Mannheim, Germany, finished in first place. Following closely behind were teams from the 526th Military Police Company from Fort Leavenworth, Kansas, and the 519th Military Police Battalion from Fort Polk, Louisiana, in second and third place, respectively. This year's competition was generally considered the most challenging to date. The Regiment's Warfighters truly earned their titles this year, with events that pushed the physical and mental limits of all the elite competitors. The weather spanned a wide range of conditions, skyrocketing into the 90s on Friday and plunging into the rainy 50s on Saturday and Sunday. The terrain included mountains and rivers, and sleep was nonexistent.





As Soldiers ran across the finish line at the end of their 15-mile “endurance ruck” early the final morning, their faces told the story of the previous three days. Through their smiles of joy and grimaces of pain, it was obvious to everyone that the highs were high and the lows were low, and even more importantly, that they would all be back next year.

